

CONCERNS UNIVERSE FOUNDATION NEWSLETTER

We believe in the inherent potential within every individual and envision a community where all are given the opportunity to achieve their educational, economic and social goals.



CHILDREN DEVELOPING WRITING SKILLS

Welcome to the quarterly update from Concerns Universe Foundation, where we continue to empower individuals through education, vocational training and community engagement. In this edition we would like to appreciate the wonderful work done by the teachers of our Child Development Centres who have worked hard to prepare the children who will transition to primary school in June. At Concerns, we are committed to identifying the needs of our community and have therefore decided to start a new education program to help school dropouts complete their secondary and senior secondary education through National Institute of Open Schooling (NIOS)



WORK BOOK ACTIVITY



READING ACTIVITY



NUTRITIOUS SNACK

CHILD DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

- The previous batch of children in the child development center attended classes till 10th of April 2024. Annual academic assessment was conducted for all the children.
- Sports and annual day was conducted in all the three child development centers. Prizes, medals and snacks were distributed for all the children.
- Parents meeting was conducted in all the centers, the progress reports and student work books were distributed.
- On 2nd June 2025, the Child Development Centers were reopened after the summer break.
- From 19th May 2025 to 23rd May 2025, the teachers planned and prepared activity for the new academic year.
- Planning meeting was held on 9th May 2025, to discuss maintenance, painting of the centers, stationary and other items to be purchased.
- 101 children have been enrolled for the year 2025-2026. Enrolment process is still being continued.
- Teachers are following the Key Foundation Curriculum. CLAP registration has also been done with the parents of all the children who have enrolled.
- On 5th June 2025, Child Protection Policy (CPP) meeting was held with the Child Development Program staff. They discussed about the safety and security of children.



FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL



BEADING ACTIVITY



NIOS COACHING



IDENTIFYING DROPOUTS



NIOS STUDENTS

NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF OPEN SCHOOLING (NIOS) EDUCATION PROGRAM

- In the month of April & May, the field staff visited the community and identified 954 school drop outs. They found that many of the students could not complete their schooling, some discontinued and some were unable to pass and could not continue their studies. So, Concerns Universe Foundation planned to support them through the National Institute of Open Schooling (NIOS) which aims to provide flexible and accessible education for the students, including those who may not have access to traditional schooling due to geographical, economic, or other constraints. The Pacific International Lines (Pte) Ltd. supports this program.
- 126 students have been enrolled for NIOS coaching class: (Secondary (10th Level): 89 students & Senior Secondary (12th Level): 37 students.
- The NIOS coaching class started on 2nd June 2025 for secondary and senior secondary students.
- One coordinator cum data entry trainer, 3 teachers & Education consultant for NIOS has been appointed.
- Key team members from NIOS educational program, from Concerns, visited the registered NIOS center for guidance regarding admission and assessment process.
- 47 students were enrolled for National Institute of Open Schooling (NIOS) online admission.
- On 20th June 2025, Monitoring visit was done by Mrs. Mary Sheebha Paul, the Head HR & Admin – INRO from Pacific International Lines (Pvt) Ltd.
- On 20th June 2025, Bangalore Rotary Club, donated a smart TV donated for Concerns Universe Foundation for NIOS coaching class. On 26th June 2025, Dr. Gowri Oza , President of Rotary Club of Bangalore and Ms Sneha Naidu visited the center and interacted with the National Institute of Open Schooling NIOS students.



MRS. SHEEBHA (PIL) INTERACTING WITH STUDENT



NIOS CLASS



WHITE BOARD DONATED BY BANGALORE ROTARY CLUB



NSDC ASSESSMENT



ORIENTATION FOR STUDENTS

COMMUNITY COLLEGE

- The previous Batch of Community college students completed Basic Computer course in May 2025 and Self-employed Tailoring and Assistant Beauty Therapy students have completed their course in June and attended the NSDC Assessment.
- Summer computer classes were conducted for 24 school going children in April and May 2025. Sessions covered on practical & theory on introduction to MS Word, MS Excel & MS Power Point and basic information on computer hardware.
- From 26th June 2025, 22 new students started classes at the Community College.
- An average of 52 students has attended classes in April, May & June 2025 for Basic Computers, Tailoring & Assistant Beauty Therapy course.
- Assistant Beauty Therapy students and Self-Employed Tailoring students were enrolled through the NSDC Portal on the Skill India Digital website. 33 students completed the assessment successfully and all are eligible for NSDC Certification.
- Community Health Medical doctor conducted health check-up for Community College students. Some of the students have Vitamin D & Iron deficiency, some have eye-sight issues, others have thyroid problems, diabetes and PCOD. Appropriate medication and referral for further medical check-ups was provided.
- On 15th May 2025, Dementia Indian Alliance conducted a seminar on 'elderly person with dementia' the students learnt about identification in early stage, management and safety precautions.



SELF EMPLOYED TAILORING CLASS



ASSISTANT BEAUTY THERAPIST CLASS



BASIC COMPUTER COURSE



SPORTS DAY



- In the month of May 2025, Trade exposure visit was conducted for the students, Basic Computer course students visited Computer peripheral shops on S.P. Road. Students learnt about costs, sales, how to store and manage accounts and personal data, tracking inventory status and how to make sales presentations. The Assistant Beauty Therapy students went for exposure visit to Vaibhav Store, where all beauty products are available. Students learnt about the different types of products and where to buy items at wholesale rates. The Self-employed tailoring students visited a Weavers Service Centre and a Fabric Market at Ramachandrapuram. The students were given exposure to the different fabrics available and weaving techniques.
- On 30th May, Sports day was conducted for the students, 28 students attended. They participated in different games like, lemon and spoon, potato race, bursting the balloons, balloon toss, passing the ball and filling the bottle. The students participated enthusiastically and won prizes.
- On 29th May 2025, The Community College students- family meet was conducted where family member were made aware of the different courses, the rules and regulations and the different activities conducted in the college.
- Life Coping Skills: On 12th June 2025, Dr. Vasudevan conducted life coping skills on being responsible & goals in life for Community College and NIOS students.
- on 23rd June 2025, a team of 12 members from Google, Bangalore branch, conducted a career guidance session for Community College and NIOS students. They worked in small groups to do their curriculum vitae for community college students. The team motivated the students to focus on education for a better future. Graduation was conducted for the skill training students who completed their course, students shared their testimonies and experience in the college.
- On 5th June 2025, Prevention of Sexual Harassment (POSH) meeting was conducted with the key members and unit heads. They discussed that if complaints arise, it should be recorded in written form and only then action will be taken.
- School Bag Distribution: On 9th June 240 school bags were distributed for children in Siddhartha English Primary School, this was coordinated by Concerns and provided by The Fishes Man trust.



LIFE SKILLS BY DR. VASUDEVAN



FUN ACTIVITY



BAG DISTRIBUTION